



READ PSALM 119:105

DAY 1

DID YOU KNOW . . .

That light travels around 186,000 miles per second?

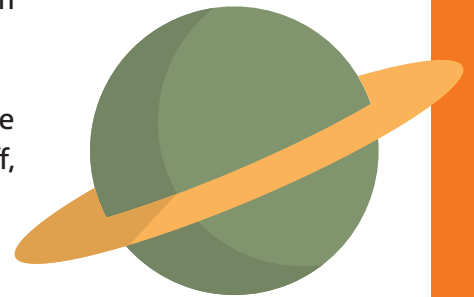
That the sun is 93 million miles from earth?

It takes around eight minutes for light from the sun to make its way to earth?

Light is super important because it shows us where to go. We need light so we don't get lost! Today's verse compares the Bible to light. Why? Because like a light, the Bible shows us where to go and what to do so that we can live God's way. When we read the Bible, we learn about who God is and how He wants us to live.

Write down Psalm 119:105 on a sticky note and post it right by the light switch in your room. Every time you turn your light on or off, repeat the verse out loud.

Thank God for giving you His word as a light to follow Him.



READ 2 TIMOTHY 3:15

DAY 2

Today's verse reminds us the most important thing we find when we read the Bible is Jesus! Over 2,000 years ago, God sent His only Son, Jesus, to the earth as a baby. And just like you're growing, Jesus grew in wisdom, in faith, and in friendship.

Jesus chose twelve men, called the disciples, to travel with Him as He taught people about God. After three years, Jesus did something no one else could do. He faced the cross, suffered and died for all the wrongs ever committed. Three days later, Jesus rose again! Why? So that we could be forgiven. Jesus died and rose again to make a way for everyone to have a relationship with God forever.

Where do we learn all of this? From the Bible! Look up the verses to the right. Below each verse, write down one thing you learn about Jesus.

Thank God for His word, the Bible, that points us to Jesus!

LUKE 2:11

LUKE 2:52

JOHN 3:16

JOHN 14:6



QUICK!

GO TAKE A LOOK AT YOURSELF IN THE MIRROR AND COME RIGHT BACK.

What did you find? Was your hair crazy? Was there a little something hanging from your nose?

Mirrors are awesome because they help you see the stuff on the outside that needs to change. You wouldn't look in a mirror and then walk away without removing that big piece of broccoli from between your teeth. The same is true when you read the Bible. The Bible is like a mirror for your heart.



THE BIBLE:

- TEACHES US WHAT IS TRUE
- CORRECTS OUR MISTAKES
- TRAINS US TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT

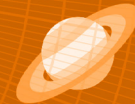
Every time you read God's word, you should ask God to show you what needs to change and to give you the courage to act in obedience. Remember, when you learn about God, it's easier to follow Him.

Thank God for giving you His word to teach, correct, and guide you.

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When you learn about God, it's easier to follow Him.



When it comes to following God and living the way He wants you to live, there is good news! God has given us His word to show us how to follow Him. As you spend time reading God's word, God will prepare or equip you to do every good thing. When you learn about God, it's easier to follow Him.

FILL IN THE BLANKS FOR THIS PRAYER TODAY: "DEAR GOD, THANK YOU FOR _____. I KNOW YOUR WORD _____ ME. I WANT TO _____ FOR YOU. HELP ME TO _____, AMEN."



READ PSALM 119:160

DAY 1

Have you ever argued about something because you knew you were right and then found out later you were actually wrong? Did you know this never happens with God? His ways are always right. God never messes up. But guess what? People do. It started way back with Adam and Eve who refused to listen to God thinking their way was better. And boy were they wrong about that.

Write on your bathroom mirror, "God's ways are right and true." The next time you're tempted to go your own way instead of God's way remember this truth. You can put your trust in Him, always. When you pray today, ask God to help you trust and follow Him instead of going the way you think is best.

READ LUKE 11:28

DAY 2

READ THE EXAMPLES BELOW AND UNDERLINE THE CHOICE THAT SHOWS OBEDIENCE:

Your mom asks you to pick up your towel off the bathroom floor.

1. You say, "Sure, mom!" but then forget to pick up the towel.
2. You pick up the towel as soon as she asks.

Your teacher asks you to be quiet as she walks out in to the hall.

1. You quietly read at your desk.
2. You make silly noises and cause your whole table to laugh.

Your dad asks you to finish your homework.

1. You get started even though you hate homework.
2. You head outside to play basketball.

Today's verse reminds us that hearing isn't enough. We actually need to do something. Just like listening to your mom or dad without doing what they've asked isn't obedience, it's not enough to simply read God's word. We need to do what He's asked of us, knowing that God's way is always the best way! So this week, remember to trust and obey, even when you think your way is better. What is God asking you to do today? Go over to Studio252.tv to listen to the music video about obedience.





READ PSALM 119:142

DAY 3

Have you ever tried to put a huge LEGO® set together without the instructions? It's super hard to do without those step by step instructions. What if the person who works for Lego that wrote those instructions was sitting right next to you? Would you trust him to help you put that Lego set together the right way even without the instruction manual? Absolutely!

Here's some great news. When it comes to following God, you have BOTH the instructions and the instruction manual writer right along beside you. God has given you His word—the most amazing instruction manual ever—so that you can follow Him. And He is with you. God made you and loves you! You can talk to Him 24/7.

So the next time you're tempted to go it alone, winging it like a kid without Lego instructions, remember that God wants to help you. He is with you. He has given you His word and His way is always right.

Grab your Bible and underline today's verse then say it out loud. Thank God for being with you and for giving you His word.

2



Trust and obey even
when you think your
way is better.



READ EPHESIANS 6:1

DAY 4

Raise your hand if you obey your parents, always, right away, the first time they ask something of you. Both your hands are down right? Obedience is hard. Why? Because most of the time we just want to be in charge and have things our own way.

Obedience is trusting those who lead you by doing what you're asked to do. What's the verb or action word in that definition? Yes, *trusting*. When it comes to obedience, we have to trust that our parents know what's best.

Think about obedience like an umbrella. What does an umbrella do? It protects you from the rain. But you have to stand under that umbrella to keep from getting soaked. The rules your parents put in place for you to follow are there to protect you, much like an umbrella. But if you go your own way, or step out from under that protection, you run the risk of getting hurt.

Grab a roll of masking tape and write today's verse on one long strip and tape it to the handle of an umbrella. Hold on to the handle and ask God to help you trust those who lead you by doing what you're asked to do.



READ HEBREWS 13:17

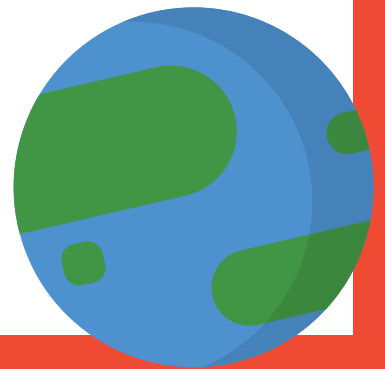
DAY 1

In the space below, write down a time when you knew you should obey, but you didn't. Be honest.

In that example, why do you think you chose to disobey? Sometimes we disobey because we think our way is better. And sometimes we disobey because we just want to follow the crowd. Maybe everyone at your table is laughing when you should all be listening. Maybe the kid across the street doesn't wear his helmet and you just want to be "cool" on your bike like him.

Obedience is always a choice. And it doesn't really matter if the people around you choose to obey. It matters what choice you make. So this week, choose to trust and obey, even when others don't.

Read your example above and ask God to forgive you. You may even need to ask for forgiveness from the person you disobeyed. Then tell God thank you for the people in your life that follow Him.



READ 1 TIMOTHY 4:12

DAY 2

Just because you're a kid doesn't mean everything is off limits. In fact, you can start making a difference right now by the way you live. You can show others what you believe by the way the choices you make and the words you say. You can also set an example for others by trusting those who are in charge. So start right now. Trust that God knows what He's doing by placing people in authority over you.

Grab a dry erase marker and write this verse on your mirror. If you don't have a dry erase marker, just write it down on a piece of paper and tape it to your mirror. Each time you look in the mirror this week, ask God to help you set an example RIGHT now as you obey your leaders.



READ 1 PETER 5:5

DAY 3

Do you know what the word “humble” means? Being humble means putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve. Humbling yourself means to make others more important or to put others first.

Part of obedience is submitting yourself to those who are over you by listening and following what they ask of you. We are to wear this humility like our clothes. In other words, obedience should be so easy and every day that it’s just like putting on your favorite shirt.

Go grab your favorite shirt and a marker. With an adults permission, on the tag, write “1 Peter 5:5.” God loves you and He wants you to choose to follow the people He’s put in charge. As you wear your favorite shirt this week, ask God to help you trust and obey those who lead you even if you’re the only one making that choice.



READ 1 PETER 5:6

DAY 4

God notices the choices you make and He’s so pleased when you make wise ones. When you follow the people God’s put in charge by doing what’s asked of you, then at the right time, He will honor you too.

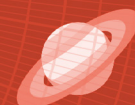
How? Maybe God will give you the opportunity to lead because you’ve been faithful to follow. Maybe you’ll be a parent or run a big company with employees that follow you. The best way to show that you are ready to lead is by choosing to follow right now. And when you do, God will honor you at the right time.

Grab a piece of paper and draw a picture of a leader. Around the drawing, write words that describe a great leader. When you’re finished, ask God to help you learn to follow now so that you can be a leader that’s worth following.

3



**Trust and obey
even when others
don’t.**





READ JAMES 1:22

DAY 1

Read the phrases or words below and write what you think they mean in your own words:

Fool _____

Foolish _____

April Fool's _____

Have you ever been fooled by something? Maybe you looked at something thinking it was one thing and then realized you were totally wrong. Maybe someone played a trick on you and it made you feel silly. A foolish person is someone who is tricked to act unwisely.

The secret to avoid becoming a fool is found in today's verse. It's not enough to simply read God's word. We have to actually do what it says. We should love the way God asks us to love. We should treat others the way we want to be treated. We should make wise choices so that we don't get hurt. We should listen AND obey, even if we aren't sure what will happen next.

As you pray today, finish the following sentence: God, thank you for giving me Your Word, the Bible. Today, I learned to _____. Help me to follow you by _____. Amen.

READ JOHN 15:12

DAY 2

Circle the things you "love" below:

Ice cream

Riding my bike

Swimming

Green beans

Bedtime

Music

Is loving ice cream the same thing as loving your grandparents or your best friend? We say we love things all the time, but the love this verse is referring to is the kind of love we feel for the people around us.

God is asking us to love "one another" and to love all the "others" around us. "Others" includes your mom and your little brother who bugs you all the time. It's your best friend and the kid everyone ignores.

But why? Why should you love all the "one anothers" around us? Because God loves you. God is asking you to love others because you are loved.

Repeat today's verse as a prayer to God. In the blank below, write down the names of three or four people that are hard to love: Dear God, help me to love _____

_____ like you love me. Amen.

READ JOSHUA 1:8

DAY 3

According to this verse, when should we read God's word? _____

And what should we do when we read it? _____

And what happens when we do what it says? _____

When we obey God, we're showing Him that we trust Him. Even on the bad days, even when we don't know how things will work out, obeying God is always the wise choice.

To learn this verse, grab friend or parent and ask them to tap or clap out a beat. Now, create a rap or chant to the beat that can be repeated. Teach it to at least two other people to see if everyone can say it from memory.

Ask God to help you obey His word, all the time.

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Trust and obey even
if you don't know
how it will work out.

READ JOHN 14:15

DAY 4

Let's say your parent asks you to do something—like make your bed or finish your homework—but you refuse. For the rest of the day, you continue to disobey. How would this make your parent feel? What if at bedtime you said, "Love you, mom" or "love you, dad." Those words might not sound as convincing after a full day of disobedience.

This is true in our relationship with God. God has given us His word, the Bible, to show us the best way to live. When we read His word and do what it says, we're showing God that we trust that His way is best. But even more than that, we're showing God just how much we love Him.

Think of three things you've learned from God's word and write them down on the lines below. Then, cut out this card and place it next to your bed as a reminder to obey God to show Him how much you love Him this week. Each time you read it, pray and ask God to help you follow through in obedience.

I will show God I love Him this week by

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- _____
- _____